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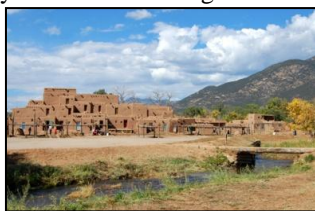
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◆ **Spring Health Physics Meeting in DC:** NASA Civil service and contractor radiation protection professionals should make plans to attend the [Triennial Health Physics Meeting](#) at NASA Headquarters April 19-21. In addition to Center RSO and LSO presentations, the full preliminary program includes technical talks by representatives from OSHA, NRC, DHS, NIST, NIH, CDRH, FAA, and EPA. OCHMO sponsors this meeting dedicated to the needs of the NASA health physics community every three years. [Registration](#) is fast and free. A block of rooms at the government per diem rate are available at the [Holiday Inn-Capitol](#) through March 19th. Contact [Guy Camomilli](#) or [Kurt Geber](#) with questions or requests for more information.



◆ **Portals to the Future: People, Partnerships and Prevention:** Remember to save the date - July 11-15! This year's [NASA OH Meeting](#) theme is "Portals to the Future: People, Partnerships and Prevention". The meeting will feature a broad range of speakers from government, academia, private corporations and NASA and will be held in Albuquerque, NM at the [Albuquerque Marriott Hotel](#). The meeting will again afford attendee's with the unique opportunity to earn continuing education credits and maintenance points. The meeting agenda, registration and additional information will be available in the coming months on the NASA OH website. Contact [Gail Bantugan](#) for more information.



◆ **EHR Update:** The final preparations for the training of the SSC clinical and industrial hygiene staff are on track. The SSC clinical staff training on Medgate GX is scheduled for February 1, 2 and 3. The training for the industrial hygiene staff is scheduled for February 2 and 3. The formal testing of the system at the Kennedy Data Center (KDC) was completed successfully. Our IT Project Manager presented to the IT-Project Management (PM) Board on January 20, and the Agency IT PM Board Key Decision Point E on January 27. Both Boards concurred the project was ready to proceed for training and go live at SSC. The Medical Super Users began meeting in January and the next meeting is scheduled for February 10. The SSC training and go live experience will be discussed.

◆ **Registration Now Open for the 2011 NASA Safety Directors and Occupational Health Managers Meeting:**

The Office of Safety and Mission Assurance, Safety Assurance and Requirements Division, and Office of the Chief Health and Medical Officer are sponsoring the [NASA 2011 Safety Directors and Occupational Health Managers Meeting](#) at Kennedy Space Center, FL, March 8-11,

2011. The meeting will present the status of Agency safety and occupational health programs and policies, as well as address current topics with an emphasis on the areas of safety and health. The meeting will also provide a forum to discuss the synergy between safety and health programs and developed solutions based on the best practices of the Centers. [Registration](#) for the meeting is now open. [Travel information](#) is also on the website.

◆ **HealthierYou Update:** Ms. Lucy Polk, from the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), will be presenting the WellCheck 2010 data at the upcoming [HPW ViTS](#). WellCheck is OPM's online assessment tool, since 2009, for the analysis of worksite wellness programs across the Federal government. The HPW Team's 2011 Action Plan was developed based on NASA's 2010 WellCheck results. Plan to attend the HPW ViTS at 1:30 PM EST, March 1, 2011. Clinic POCs will continue to receive monthly emails regarding their influenza vaccination stats unless they notify [Mae Hafizi](#) that your vaccination program has ended. With questions, please contact Mae Hafizi.



◆ **Marshall's Fitness Center Employee**

Recognized: Congratulations to Mike Clark, one of Marshall's Exercise Specialists. Mike applied for, and was awarded, the National Academy of Sports Medicine (NASM) [Pursuit of Excellence Award in Health and Fitness](#), which will financially assist him in obtaining his Masters in Exercise Science with an emphasis in Physical Rehabilitation. Mike has always been enthusiastic and dedicated in his desire to help other NASA employees with their physical fitness goals. We wish him well in his studies and look forward to hearing about his research and successes.

◆ **NASA Stennis Achieves VPP Successes:** Over the past 2 years [NASA Stennis](#) has moved successfully into the [OSHA VPP](#) program. NASA along with contractors Pratt & Whitney Rocketdyne, Applied Geo Technologies (AGT), Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC), Jacobs FOSC, Jacobs NTOG, A2 Research JV, and ARTS/ITS have all successfully been received into the VPP Program. The NASA civil servant population finished the effort having their onsite visit at the end of 2010. An effort of this magnitude cuts across all organizations at a Center and is a testament to the hard work of many individuals inside and outside of the Occupational Health and Safety group. Way to go NASA Stennis on being recognized for Health & Safety and excellence!



◆ **NASA OH Center Review Calendar:**

- May 2-6, Glenn Research Center

◆ **Upcoming OH ViTS & Webinars:**

- Workers' Compensation ViTS – February 8, 11:00-12:00 EST
- EHR Super Users Webinar – February 10, 11:30-12:30 EST
- EH ViTS – February 10, 2:30-3:30 EST
- Fitness Quarterly ViTS – February 24, 11:00-12:00 EST
- Health Promotion ViTS – March 1, 1:30-2:30 EST

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